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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Hasegawa, et al.

Serial No.: 10/603,983

Filing Date: June 24, 2003

For: GMR Magnetic Sensing Element Provided
with Second Free Layer Extended to Outside of
Track Width and Method for Manufacturing the
Same

Examiner: Kevin M. Bernatz

Group Art Unit No.: 1773

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT FOR
OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 13, 2004**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 22313 -1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 13, 2004, Applicants elect
Invention I, Species B and Claims 1 – 13, 15 – 28 and 30 for the present application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.